

Docket No. D-1198

Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SHEET POST-PROCESSING APPARATUS

	cification of which
(check c	one)
	□ is attached hereto.
0	was filed on October 29, 2001 as United States Application No. or PCT International
	Application Number 09/984,330
	and was amended on
	(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) or Section 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or Section 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Applicat	Priority Not Claimed		
2000-333513 (Number)	<u>Japan</u> (Country)	31/10/2000 (Day/Month/Year Filed)	
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	0
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	

35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of any United States provisional
(Filing Date)	
(Filing Date)	
(Filing Date)	
ication designating the Unitains of this application is not be manner provided by the sclose to the United State arial to patentability as defined filing date of the prior a	nited States application(s), or Section ted States, listed below and, insofar of disclosed in the prior United States first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. Section as Patent and Trademark Office all ned in Title 37, C.F.R., Section 1.56 application and the national or PCT
(Filing Date)	(Status) (patented, pending, abandoned)
(Filing Date)	(Status) (patented, pending, abandoned)
(Filing Date)	(Status) (patented, pending, abandoned)
	(Filing Date) (Filing Date) (Filing Date) S.C. Section 120 of any Unlication designating the Unitalians of this application is not the manner provided by the sclose to the United State or ial to patentability as define filing date of the prior and the

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Yusuke Takeuchi Reg. No. 30,921 Manabu Kanesaka Reg. No. 31,467

Send Correspondence to:

KANESAKA AND TAKEUCHI, 1423 Powhatan Street Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Direct Telephone Calls to:

Manabu Kanesaka at telephone number (703) 519-9785

Full name of sole or first inventor					
Kouki Sato					
Sole or first inventor's signature	Date				
Kouki Salo	29/11/2001				
Residence					
Tsukuba-gun, Ibaraki-ken, Japan					
Citizenship					
Japanese					
Post Office Address					
6-2-8, Kinunodai, Sewaramura, Tsukuba-gun, Ibaraki-ken, Japan					
Full name of second inventor					
Koichi Kitta					
Second inventor's signature	Date				
Koichi Kitta	22/11/2001				
Residence					
Enzan-shi, Japan					
Citizenship					
Japanese					
Post Office Address					
1087, Asao, Enzan-shi, Yamanashi-ken, Japan					
	İ				